

EUREKA



THE EUREKA PROJECT ESTABLISHES A COMMON ADRIATIC-IONIAN APPROACH TO THE DEVELOPMENT AND HARMONIZATION OF PROCEDURES AND REGULATIONS IN THE FIELD OF NAVIGATION SAFETY.

The ADRION program is a European transnational program that invests in regional systems for innovation, cultural and natural heritage, environmental sustainability and resilience, sustainable transport and mobility, and capacity building. By working together with eight partner countries, ADRION aims to act as a driving force for policies and an innovator of governance for the benefit of more than 70 million people in the Adriatic and Ionian regions.

The main goal of the EUREKA project is to increase the level of maritime safety in the Adriatic-Ionian region by introducing systematic cooperation and coordination of state bodies responsible for maritime affairs in the region.

The envisaged key result of the project is the establishment of a Maritime Safety Permanent Transnational Network, a body that will be responsible for continuous efforts to make progress in ensuring maritime safety in the region through coordination and cooperation and activities within thematic working groups.

Within the EUREKA project, activities will be carried out in the following areas:

- improving the ADRIREP system and increasing the level of data exchange,
- unification and standardization of VTS services in the region
- development and harmonization of a common training framework for VTS operators

- introduction of a system and procedures for maritime traffic management (Sea Traffic Management Service)
- The leading partner of the project is the Ministry of the Sea, Transport and Infrastructure (Republic of Croatia).

➤ The project partners are involved in the project:

- Ministry of Infrastructure and Transport,
- Command
- Genera del Corpo delle Capitanerie di porto - Guardia Costiera (Italian Republic)
- Republic of Slovenia, Ministry of Infrastructure, Administration
- Of the Republic of Slovenia for Maritime Affairs
- Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy (Republic of Albania)
- Maritime Safety and Port Management Authority (Montenegro)
- Kautilias University and Political School - Archdiocese
- Υπενικου Σώματος - Ελληνικής Ακτοφυλακής (Hellenic Republic)
- University of Rijeka, Faculty of Maritime Studies (Republic of Croatia)
- University of Montenegro, Faculty of Maritime Studies Kotor (Montenegro)
- The Ministry of Communications and Transport of Bosnia and Herzegovina (Bosnia and Herzegovina) participates as an associate partner.

The total amount of funds of the project partner of the Maritime Administration intended for the implementation of the operation is EUR 618,407.00, of which the European Union contribution is EUR 525,645.95.

➤ **THE FIRST COORDINATION MEETING FOR THE PROJECT ADRION1212 - EUREKA WAS HELD IN MID-JUNE 2021. DUE TO THE RESTRICTIONS IMPOSED BY THE KOVID-19 PANDEMIC, THE MEETING WAS HELD VIA AN ONLINE APPLICATION, ORGANIZED BY THE CROATIAN MINISTRY OF THE SEA, TRANSPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE AS THE LEADING**

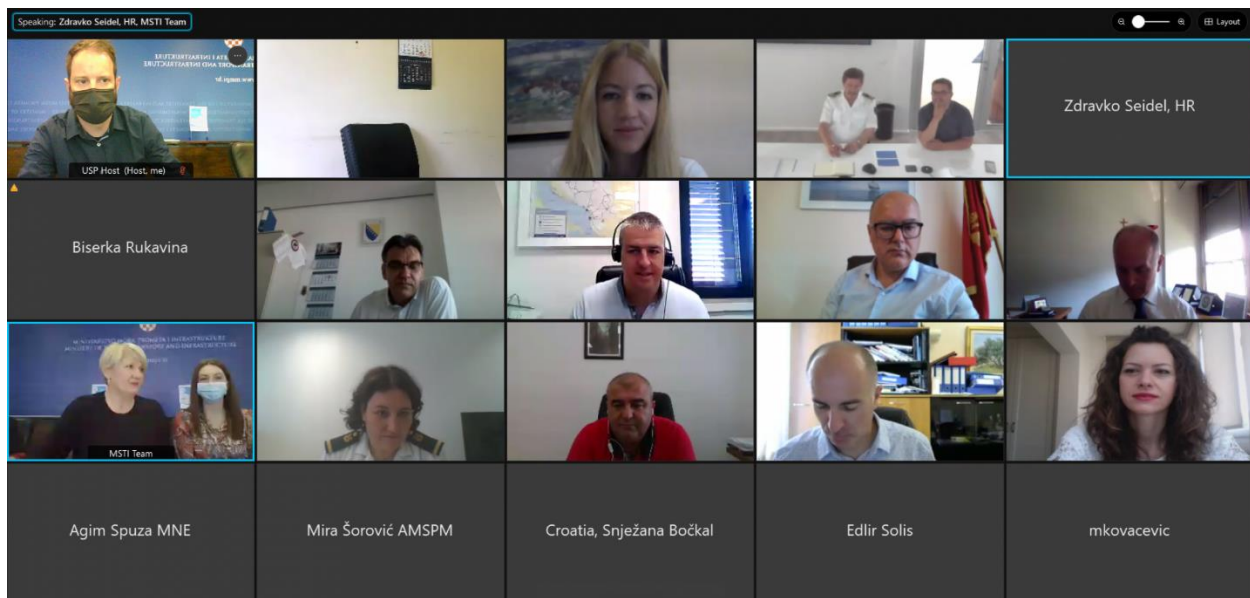
PARTNER IN THE PROJECT. THE MEETING WAS ATTENDED BY REPRESENTATIVES OF ALL PROJECT PARTNERS.

At the very beginning of the meeting, the Lead Partner presented to the other partners the current status of the project and stressed the importance of focusing on the implementation of project activities, as well as on establishing a strong and competent project management team.

One part of the meeting was dedicated to the Communications work package. Representatives of the Faculty of Maritime Studies in Kotor, the project partner in charge of the Communications work package, held a presentation regarding the status of communication activities and reported that all initial activities related to this work package were successfully and timely implemented.

In the final part of the meeting, the representatives of the Lead Partner presented the reporting procedure and reminded of some basic and current requirements of the reporting system, given that the first project period ends after the current month.

Having in mind the strategic importance of the project, the representatives of the leading partner emphasized that they expect successful cooperation in terms of improving the overall maritime safety in the Adriatic-Ionian region within this project.



➤ **THE SECOND MEETING OF THE EUREKA PROJECT STEERING COMMITTEE WAS HELD IN KOPER, SLOVENIA**

In the second Coordination Meeting for the EUREKA project (Adriatic-Ionian Joint Approach for Development and Harmonization of Procedures and Regulations in the Field of Navigation Safety), the next day, October 19, 2021, the second meeting of the Project Steering Committee was held in Koper. The meeting was hosted by the Slovenian Maritime Administration (Ministry of Infrastructure), and the meeting was organized in a hybrid form in order to enable the participation of all members of the Board.

The meeting in Koper was attended by representatives of the Ministry of the Sea, Transport and Infrastructure from Zagreb, who chaired the meeting as the lead partner, then representatives of the Slovenian Maritime Administration (Ministry of Infrastructure), University of Rijeka (Faculty of Maritime Studies) and the Ministry of Communications and Transport of Bosnia and Herzegovina. associate partner. Representatives of the Italian Coast Guard (Ministry of Infrastructure and Transport), the Greek Coast Guard (Ministry of Maritime Affairs and Island Policies) and the Albanian Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy attended the meeting via the Zoom application. When it comes to the project team of the Faculty of Maritime Studies, Kotor, University of Montenegro, prof. Dr. Spiro Ivosevic and Ana Babovic attended the online format, while Zorica Djurovic attended the meeting in Koper in person. Representatives of the ADRION Joint Secretariat also attended the meeting in online format.

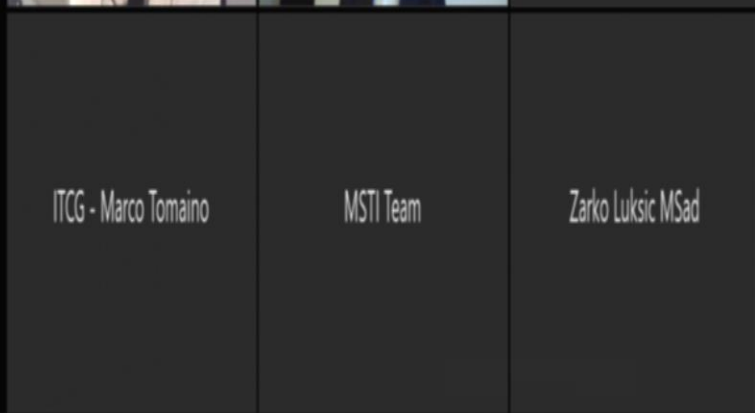
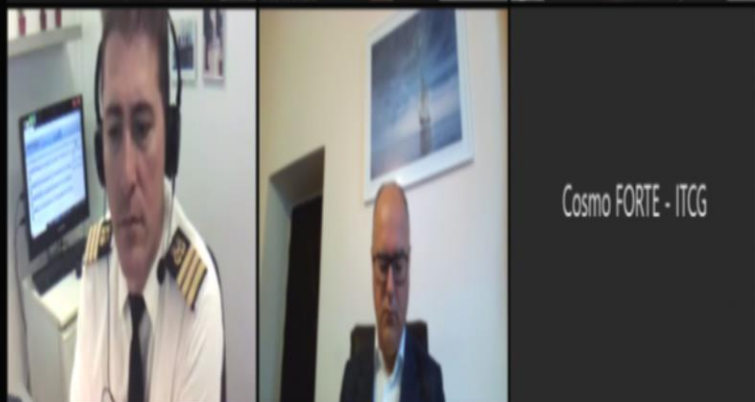
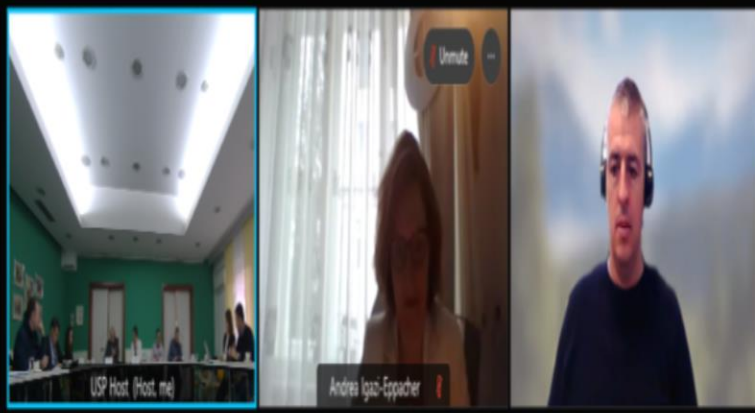
The second meeting of the Steering Committee began with the adoption of the Program of Work and Duties of the Board, as well as the planned agenda of the meeting. During the tour de table session, the project partners presented the progress of project activities in relation to work packages and assigned duties. Zorica Đurović reported on the implemented activities and those that are underway within the work package Communications, as well as in connection with other activities for which the Faculty of Maritime Studies Kotor (UCG) is in charge in terms of their progress, plans and challenges in their implementation.

After the presentations and adoption of the conclusions of the second Coordination Meeting of the project, the Faculty of Maritime Studies of the University of Rijeka presented the draft Multilateral Agreement on the Establishment of a Permanent Transnational Maritime Safety Network. Within the planned Network, it was agreed to form working groups entitled: Capacity Building, Electronic Navigation, Operations, Maritime Traffic Monitoring System and Harmonization. The working groups will be composed of relevant experts from the countries of the Adriatic-Ionian region and will act as expert steering groups for harmonized strategic, functional, operational and technical-technological development of maritime safety in the Adriatic-Ionian region.

Following the meeting, the Lead Partner presented a proposal for coordinated activities with the European Commission and the European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA) regarding the new ADRIREP system.

A special item on the agenda is dedicated to public procurement procedures related to work packages, as well as minor changes in the Application Form, mainly related to certain data of project partners and minor changes to budget lines. Representatives of the partners also had the opportunity to consult with a representative of the Joint Secretariat regarding minor changes and procedures, after which the meeting was successfully concluded.

Layout



Participants (12)

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